

AQO

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: AQO Staff Meeting Minutes, July 16, 1996

MAGNAVOX NAME CHANGE. In case anyone is doing business with Magnavox, Fort Wayne, Indiana - Magnavox Electronic Systems Company has announced plans to officially change their name to Hughes Defense Communications on August 1, 1996. As a result of the Magnavox name change, the DCMC office will become known as DCMC Indianapolis-Hughes Defense Communications (HDC). In addition, the new Hughes' address will change to 1010 Production Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46808-4106.

AQ VTC "TIME OUT." Sep 9, 96 will be the last AQ VTC while we take a "time out" for the field to catch up on all the VTC videos.

AQ VTC JUL 15. Covered commercial financing payments. Mr. Rick Green (ACO from DCMC Pemco detailed to AQOE) provided an overview of this new form of contractor payment. Slides from this presentation are available on the DCMC Home Page.

OPS CHIEFS VTC JUL 15. Covered management of automated system development and implementation. Representatives from the District O, M & F Directorates participated. This forum provided a healthy exchange of information. District reps are to feed in recommendations to Ms. Pettibone and CAPT Case, AQAC.

PRODUCT & MANUFACTURING ASSURANCE TEAM (AQOG).

- o Dick Kane hosted a 16-17 Jul meeting of the pilot site managers for the Contractor Self-Oversight in Quality Assurance initiative. Each experiment site manager provided an overview of progress and activities to date, and the metrics to be used for measuring experiment success were discussed in detail.

- o John Childers attended a meeting with representatives of the Joint Logistics Systems Center (JLSC) and DLA Systems Design Center (DSDC) on the new Deficiency Reporting System (DRS) 16 Jul in Dayton, OH. The purpose of the meeting was an overview briefing on all DLA Business Area systems and to plan for the interface workshop scheduled for 12-16 Aug.

- o Update, Product Quality Management Courses, PQM 101, 201, 301 -- Mr. Poulin participated in the final review of all courses, ending 12 Jul 96 at the Defense Acquisition University. All courses have been updated to include acquisition reform initiatives, and the technical

content has been tailored to suit the needs of manufacturing, quality assurance and engineering personnel. PQM 101 and PQM 201 first offerings will start 12 Aug 96 and PQM 301 first offering is in progress at the Defense Systems Management College. For future offerings, please consult your respective Workforce Development Team. After the first three offerings or Jan 97, the functional representatives from all DoD Components will meet with the Defense Acquisition University to assess the student feedback and instructor experience to adjust the courses, as required.

- o Government and Industry Quality Liaison Panel (G&IQLP) Status -- Mr. Poulin will continue to represent DCMC as a member of the Lead Team at the next scheduled meeting, 13-15 Aug 95. The Panel is supported by membership from 12 Federal Agencies, 3 major industry associations, American Society for Quality Control (ASQC) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The partnership has three overarching goals: the adoption of a single quality system in a contractor facility; the definition and use of quality concepts beyond the basic architecture of basic quality system framework; and the promotion of effective and efficient oversight methods. Specific tasks DCMC is supporting are: developing training elements; developing oversight guidelines for a Basic Quality Management System; identifying quality practices above a basic quality management system; executing agreements between DoD components and Federal agencies on mutual recognition of a single quality system and effective/efficient oversight methods. The latest development regarding the tasks is a Memorandum of Understanding in the final stages of approval between the Army Materiel Command and DCMC recognizing each others' mutual assessments of a basic quality management system using the framework of ANSI/ASQC Q9001.

PRODUCT DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT & CONTROL TEAM (AQOF).

- o In preparation for the 30 Jul 96 DCMC Executive Council, Mr. Gary Gumright and the DCMDE software team presented a briefing of the DCMC Software Center Implementation Plan to Mr. Thurber, Mr. Allan, Maj Latsis, and DCMDW representatives on 16 Jul 96. DCMDE will incorporate recommended changes and disseminate the updated briefing for final review prior to the 30 Jul 96 Executive Council.

WORKFORCE STRATEGY TEAM (AQOJ).

- o Penny Kingsbury is gathering input on a HQ Action Officer Guide. She is looking for what people want included and "collective wisdom."
- o Intern Development Group is meeting here this week.

OVERHEAD CENTER (AQOK).

o Mr. Frank Wojtaszek will be attending the American Management Association's Course, "Mergers and Acquisitions," during the period July 22-26, 1996. He hopes to gain a better understanding of the acquisition strategies used by commercial contractors, and the financial and tax implications arising from the tougher accounting rules.

APPROVED:

FRANK J. LALUMIERE
Dep Exec Dir, Contract Mgmt Policy